Privileges Committee ని ఎన్నుకొనేటప్పుడు, పైవిషయములన్నీ కూడ ఇక్కడ చర్చించి ఈ కమిటీయొక్క scope ను ఎక్కువ wider చేసి, నిజంగా ఉపయోగపడేటట్లు చేయవలెనని విజ్ఞప్తి చేస్తున్నాను ''

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I have nothing to say in the matter, Sir. To be frank, I have not followed the hon. Member's speech at all."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That with reference to Rule 156 of the Madras Assembly Rules, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. the Speaker to elect fifteen members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1953–54.' "

The motion was carried.

MR. SPEAKER :—" In accordance with the regulations framed by me for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 3 p.m., Wednesday, the 18th March 1953, as the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election to the Committee of Privileges should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

" If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely, fifteen, a poll will be taken on a date to be announced in due course."

(2) ELECTION OF ELEVEN MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

' *That with reference to Rule 157 of the Madras Assembly Rules, the House do proceed to elect eleven members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1953–54.*' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" Motion moved—

' That with reference to Rule 157 of the Madras Assembly Rules, the House do proceed to elect eleven members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1953–54.' "

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" అధ్యక్షా, ఈ House Committee గత సంవత్సరం వివిధంగా పనిచేసింది, ఈ Committee ప్రభుత్వానికి ఇచ్చిన సూచనలను ఎంతమట్టుకు అంగీకరించారు అనే విషయాన్ని ఆలోచించవలసియున్నది. ముఖ్యంగా ఇక్కడున్నటువంటి సభ్యులయొక్క హక్కులను గురించి సభ్యులకు ఎక్కువ అవకాశాలు కల్పించే విషయాలను గురించి కొన్ని సూచనలను చేశారు. వాటిని ఏవి కూడా ప్రభుత్వము అంగీకరించలేదు. ఇక్కడ ఉన్నటువంటి Legislators Hostel ఒక Trade Unions concern క్రింద మాత్రమే తయారైనట్లున్నది. ఈ విధానాన్ని ఇతర రాష్ట్రాలతో పోల్చి చూచుకొంటే, ఇక్కడి పరిస్థితి చాలా ఘోరంగా ఉన్నదనక తప్పదు. ఈ hostel ఏదో ఒక సత్రంలాగా కట్టబడింది. 9
దీనిమీద పెట్టిన డబ్బు అంతా దండుగ అయిపోయిందని చెప్పవలసియున్నది. ఇటువంటి a.m.

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విషయాలన్నిటిని గురించి House Committee సూచనలు చేయునప్పుడు, ఈ House Committee కేవలము recommendations చేసేటటువంటిదిగా మాత్రమే భావించి వాటిని త్రోసివేయడం ప్రధానంగా పెట్టుకొన్నట్లైతే, ఈ కమిటీ ఉపయోగపడదు. అప్పుడు ఈ కమిటీ అంతా ఒక farce గా మాత్రమే తయారవుతుంది. ఇదివరకు House Committee ప్రభుత్వానికి కొన్ని సూచనలు చేసింది. సభ్యుల గురించి, వారియొక్క facilities గురించి కొన్ని సూచనలు చేసింది. కాని వాటిని ప్రభుత్వను పరిశీలించడం గాని, వాటికి సరియైన సమాధానాలు ఇవ్వడంగాని జరుగలేదు. ఇప్పుడు ఉండే hostel లో సభ్యులకు సరియైన వసతులు లేవు. విద్యార్థుల hostel కన్నా అన్యాయంగా ఇది తయారైంది. కనుక ఈ hostel ను సభ్యులకు ఉపయోగపడేటట్లు చేయవలసిన అవసరమున్నది. అంతేకాకుండా సంవత్సరములో అనేక రోజులు ఈ hostel ఖాళీపడియుంటుంది. దీనివల్ల ప్రభుత్వానికి నష్టమేగాని లాభములేదు. ఇవన్నీ దృష్టిలో పెట్టుకొని, తగిన మార్పులు చేయవలసిన అవసరము మాత్రమున్నదని తెలియజేస్తున్నాను.''

Sri P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Sir, unfortunately we have been faced with certain traditions in this House. The British Government when it was here did not trust our people, and it would only appoint certain advisory committees. On the same lines we are also appointing a House Committee, whose recommendations may be carried out only at the sweet will and mercy of the Government. It will be very necessary for us in future at least to see that we get a report of the work of the House Committee. We must know what the House Committee has been doing for the last one year or nine months. When we proceed to appoint a new House Committee, Members of the House would like to know exactly how the Committee appointed by them has functioned in the past, and what recommendations it has made. I think these are democratic practices which we should try hereafter at least to insist upon. I do not mean to say that a House Committee should not be appointed. The Members of the House should know exactly how the House Committee appointed by them has functioned.''

Sri K. SUBBA REDDI :—" అధ్యక్షా, House Committee యొక్క recommendation ను ఈ ప్రభుత్వము పాటించడంలేదు. ముఖ్యముగా ఈ సందర్భమున కొన్ని విషయములు మీదృష్టికి తీసుకొని వచ్చుటకు ప్రయత్నము చేస్తున్నాను. ఇక్కడ family quarters ను నెలకు 30 రూపాయల చొప్పున కొంతమంది " గౌరవ సభ్యులకు ఇచ్చారు. కాని hostel లో రోజు ఒకటింటికి 3 రూపాయల చొప్పున వసూలు చేస్తున్నారు. ఇది పరస్పర విరుద్ధంగా నున్నది. House Committee, తమ recommendationsలో 2 రూపాయల వసూలు చేయవలసిందని చెప్పితే, దాన్ని ప్రభుత్వను కొంచెముకూడ లక్ష్యపెట్టలేదు. పరిస్థితు లీవిధంగా జరుగుచుండునప్పుడు, మరల ఈ House Committee యొక్క recommendations యొక్క అవసరమేమిటో అర్థంకాదు. రెండవది ఈ hostel నుండి ప్రభుత్వమునకు ఆదాయము రావడంలేదు. ఇప్పుడు hostel లో ఇదివరకు ఉన్నంతమంది Members లో దాదాపు నాలుగవవంతు లేరు. అనేకమంది బయటపోవలసిన అవసరమేర్పడుతున్నది. తరువాత family quarters ఇవ్వడంలో చాలా అన్యాయాలు జరుగుచున్నవి. వారికి ఇష్టము వచ్చినవారికి, పెద్దవారికి, ఇస్తున్నారు. అసలు నిష్పక్షపాతంగా

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అందరికి ఇవ్వడమనేది మేనేజ్ మెంటుకు లేనేలేదు. కనుక వీటన్నింటిని ఆలోచించి, ఒక క్రమమైన పద్ధతి ననుసరించక పోయినట్లైతే, ఈ House Committee యొక్క functions నిరుపయోగమని నేను అభిప్రాయ పడుచున్నాను."

Sri G. LATCHANNA:—" Sir, before we accept this motion, may we know the work turned out by the House Committee in the year 1951–52? "

Mr. SPEAKER:—" The Chairman of the House Committee is the Deputy Speaker."

Sri G. LATCHANNA:—" Is the House not expected to know the work turned out by the House Committee during the year 1951–52? "

* Sri K. VINAYAKAM:—" Sir, I am not one of those who are profited by this House Committee for I have the privilege to own a house in Madras City and I do not . . ."

Mr. SPEAKER:—" The House Committee is a Committee of this Assembly."

* Sri K. VINAYAKAM:—" I am coming to the point. I am making a pun upon the word ' House '. It is only to cut a joke, Sir. The House Committee, which was appointed in the last session, has been working but its recommendations, which were placed before the Government, were never taken into consideration. Hon. Members who live in the hostel were pressing . . ."

Mr. SPEAKER:—" Let the hon. Member be brief. To-day we are concluding the discussion on the Governor's Address."

* Sri K. VINAYAKAM:—" Hon. Members who live in the hostel were expressing to me the difficulties which they were suffering from. The hostel which is for the use of the legislators is conducted more as a trading concern with an eye upon profit and loss only and not upon the convenience to be given to the Members of the Legislature. The House Committee must consider the inconveniences to which hon. Members are put. In future at least those grievances should be put an end to. I know some hon. Members left the hostel and jointly took up private houses in Triplicane. Their living outside our hostel does no credit to our administration."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY:—" I do not think there need be any discussion on this subject, because, according to rule 157, it is mandatory that . . ."

Mr. SPEAKER:—" I am aware of the rule. But there can be a discussion on a motion under that rule."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY:—" I do not think there can be any discussion on this matter, because rule 157 lays down that there shall be appointed a House Committee."

Mr. SPEAKER:—" Every motion might be discussed before being voted upon."

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* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, for the information of hon. Members I wish to point out that there are two committees functioning now, namely, (1) the House Committee and (2) the Hostel Advisory Committee. The Hostel Advisory Committee is constituted by the Hon. Minister for Public Works, and he is the Chairman of that committee. As a matter of fact many of the recommendations of that Advisory Committee have been accepted and given effect to. At the end of each session, the resolutions passed by the House Committee and the action taken thereon are placed on the table of the House. Hon. Members would have gone through them, I am sure. We have accepted many of the recommendations. Only in cases, where finance was involved, we had to examine the recommendation and find out whether it can be accepted or any modification was required in the recommendation. I am sorry the hon. the Leader of the Opposition, as usual, brought in the question of democratic principles. I am sorry he should drag in this question of democratic principle at every stage. I do not see how we are acting in any undemocratic way in constituting these committees and asking them to make recommendations. Of course, if he thinks that nothing is going on in a democratic way in this country or in this State or in this Assembly, he is entitled to hold his own view. But I am really afraid that he is making too much of this democratic principle. As far as I know, we are accepting many of the recommendations of this committee and action also is being taken on them. I request that this committee may be formed. Really there is no scope for discussion, here. As far as the hostel is concerned, I agree that there is great scope for improvement. I am trying my best to improve the conditions in the hostel."

9-10 a.m. * SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" On a point of personal explanation, Sir. The Hon. Minister for Finance has entirely misunderstood me when I said that we should try to stick to some democratic principles. When I said that, I did not mean to suggest that we should not appoint this committee. In fact I made it very clear that we wanted the committee. But what I did say was that the House having appointed a committee must also get a report from that committee at the end of the year as to how it had been functioning and so on. Mere resolutions are not enough. We want to know how it discussed things and how it functioned, so that we will be in a position to judge things later on. That will also be of help to future committees. That is all what I said. Certainly any enlargement of democracy is something that is welcome. Therefore I would like to repeat that the Hon. Minister has misunderstood me."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

'That with reference to rule 157 of the Madras Assembly Rules, the House do proceed to elect eleven members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1953-54.' "

The motion was carried.

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MR. SPEAKER:—" In accordance with the regulations framed by me for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 3 p.m., Wednesday, the 18th March 1953, as the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election to the House Committee should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

" If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely, eleven, a poll will be taken on a date to be announced in due course."

(3) ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF INDUSTRIES.

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" Sir, I beg to move—

' *That, as Sri R. V. Swaminathan, M.L.A., ceased to be a member on the Board of Industries with effect from 16th November 1952, by efflux of time, in accordance with section 3 (1) (b) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Madras Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.*' "

MR. SPEAKER:—" Motion moved—

' That, as Sri R. V. Swaminathan, M.L.A., ceased to be a member on the Board of Industries with effect from 16th November 1952 by efflux of time, in accordance with section 3 (1) (b) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Madras Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.' "

* SRI K. KRISHNA RAO:—" Sir, we are electing from among us a number of people like this who are responsible to nobody but themselves. We elect members to the Railway Advisory Board, we elect members to the Board of Industries and so on. My point is we are entitled to know what these people are doing there because we elect them and as electors we are entitled to know what these persons have been doing on the Boards. We require periodical reports. There are a number of grievances in the State with regard to industries, railways and so many other things. The point is whether they are responsible to us or irresponsible. We ourselves are not irresponsible. In fact I raised a question about this particular point with regard to the Railway Advisory Board and I have had no response to it. Now the fundamental meaning of democracy is that the elected are responsible to the electors. Now I should like to know what Mr. Swaminathan has been doing on the Board, whether he has been putting anti-Soviet stuff there as he is fond of doing in the Assembly or whether he has been doing a good lot to industries which are really useful to the people. We really want to know what that gentleman has been doing on the Board.